

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend ¶ 11 to read:

- - [0011] A preferred form of the invention as a device for the transportation of objects and/or persons, includes at least one driving station and at least one deflection station as well as a transportation rope circulating between the stations. A single driving wheel is arranged at the driving station, and a single deflection pulley is arranged at the return station. The driving wheel and the deflection pulley are arranged substantially ~~perpendicular to each other~~ vertically.